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LETTER OF DECEMBER 21, 1977

1. EMBASSY SCI COUNSELOR DISCUSSED FRG PREPARATIONS
FOR SUBJECT CONFERENCE WITH VON SCHUBERT (FOREIGN
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OFFICE) ON JANUARY 16.

2. NATIONAL PAPER. THE FRG NATIONAL PAPER IS BEING
PREPARED BY THE MINISTRY FOR RESEARCH AND TECHNOLOGY
(BMFT). THE SECOND DRAFT WAS COMPLETED LAST WEEK.
THE THIRD DRAFT WILL BE READY AT THE END OF THIS
MONTH. THE INITIAL DRAFTS PREPARED BY BMFT WERE

REVIEWED BY AN FRG INTER-AGENCY COMMITTEE WITH REPRESENTATIVES FROM THE FOREIGN MINISTRY, AND THE MINISTRIES OF ECONOMICS, ECONOMIC COOPERATION AND AGRICULTURE. THE THIRD DRAFT WILL BE DISTRIBUTED TO THE GERMAN SCIENCE COMMUNITY, INDUSTRY, ETC. FOR THEIR COMMENTS. DR. KLAUS GOTTSTEIN IS THE NON-GOVERNMENT CONFERENCE COORDINATOR REPRESENTING THE SCIENCE COMMUNITY. THE FRG NATIONAL PAPER WILL, WHEN COMPLETED, PROBABLY BE 30-40 PAGES LONG. THE FRG WOULD LIKE TO HAVE IT READY BY THE END OF MAY SO THAT A EUROPEAN REGIONAL PAPER CAN BE DRAFTED AT A JUNE MEETING IN BUCHAREST. VARIOUS EUROPEAN NATIONAL PAPERS WOULD THEN BE RE-WORKED IN LIGHT OF REGIONAL DISCUSSIONS. THE FRG WAS NOT PARTICULARLY HAPPY WITH THE ORIGINAL GUIDELINES FOR THE NATIONAL PAPER PREPARATION BUT WILL IN GENERAL FOLLOW THEM USING THEIR OWN INTERPRETATIONS. AN OUTLINE OF THE GERMAN NATIONAL PAPER FOLLOWS:

1. INTRODUCTION
2. FRG R&D POLICY CONTRIBUTION TO THE SOLUTION OF SOCIO-ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PROBLEMS.
 - 2.1 IMPORTANCE OF RESEARCH AND TECHNOLOGY.
 - 2.2 RESEARCH AND TECHNOLOGY IN THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF GERMANY.
 - 2.3 RESEARCH AND TECHNOLOGY POLICY AND DEVELOPING COUNTRIES.

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- 2.3.1 OBJECTIVES OF THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT.
- 2.3.2 MEASURES FOR REALIZATION (OF THESE OBJECTIVES) BY
 - 2.3.2.1 INCREASING ADJUSTMENT OF GENERAL RESEARCH AND TECHNOLOGY POLICY TO INCLUDE THE NEEDS OF DEVELOPING COUNTRIES.
 - 2.3.2.2 INCREASED APPLICATION OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY.
 - 2.3.2.3 INTERACTION OF DEVELOPMENT POLICY WITH GENERAL RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT POLICY.
- 2.3.3 SPECIAL INSTRUMENTATION OF THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT AND RELEVANT INSTITUTIONS.
 - 2.3.3.1 TECHNOLOGICAL COOPERATION - GTZ, DSE, ETC.
 - 2.3.3.2 FINANCIAL COOPERATION - KW.
 - 2.3.3.3 SCIENTIFIC-TECHNOLOGICAL COOPERATION - INTERNATIONAL OFFICES AND COORDINATORS.
 - 2.3.3.4 COOPERATION MODEL BMZ (FEDERAL MINISTRY FOR ECONOMIC COOPERA-

TION) - BMFT - TTL.

2.3.3.5 MULTILATERAL COOPERATION

2.3.4 PRIORITIES.

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2.3.4.1 ENERGY

2.3.4.2 RAW MATERIALS

2.3.4.3 WATER

2.3.4.4 FOOD AND AGRICULTURE

2.3.4.5 OPEN PRIORITY AREAS

3. IMPACT OF INCREASED DEVELOPMENT-ORIENTED RESEARCH
AND TECHNOLOGY POLICY ON THE NATIONAL ECONOMY OF
THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF GERMANY AND RESULTING
CONCLUSIONS FOR THE OVERALL RESEARCH AND TECHNOLOGY
POLICY OF THE FRG.

4. BASIC CONSIDERATIONS REGARDING THE FORMULATION OF
A RESEARCH AND TECHNOLOGY POLICY EQUALLY ACCEPTABLE
TO DEVELOPING AND INDUSTRIALIZED NATIONS.

5. CONCLUSION

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3. THE FRG IS ORGANIZING A CONFERENCE UNDER THE SPONSORSHIP OF THE GERMAN FOUNDATION FOR INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT TO START JANUARY 18 IN BERLIN WITH REPRESENTATIVES OF 12 LDC'S 20 HAVE BEEN INVITED), AS WELL AS DACOSTA, STANEKE (OST), BECKLER (OECD), A REPRESENTATIVE FROM THE EEC, AND REPRESENTATIVES FROM GERMAN TRADE UNIONS, INDUSTRY AND SCIENCE COMMUNITY. THERE WILL BE APPROXIMATELY 50 PARTICIPANTS IN ALL AND THE RESULTS OF THIS DISCUSSION WILL SUPPLY INPUT INTO THE NATIONAL PAPER.

4. GENEVA PREPCOM. THE GERMAN DELEGATION TO THE GENEVA PREPCOM WILL BE HEADED BY VON SCHUBERT (FOREIGN OFFICE) WITH PARTICIPANTS FROM THE MINISTRIES OF ECONOMIC COOPERATION, ECONOMICS, SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY, THE FRG GENEVA MISSION AND DR. GOTTSTEIN. VON SCHUBERT WAS VERY PLEASED WITH U.S. APPROACH TO PREPCOM (REF A) AND SAID THAT THEIR POSITION FOLLOWS THE SAME LINE. HE COMMENTED THAT DA COSTA HAS TRIED TO REDUCE THE SUBJECT AREAS AND THEREFORE OUR PAPER WILL NOT MAKE HIM HAPPY. THE FRG, LIKE US, DOES NOT WANT TO GET BOGGED DOWN IN QUESTIONS OF TECHNOLOGY TRANSFER AS HAPPENED IN UNCTAD. THE FRG WOULD PREFER TO CONCEN- TRATE ON PRACTICAL SOLUTIONS AND THEREFORE THE SUBJECT AREAS ARE VERY IMPORTANT. REGIONAL MEETINGS IN WHICH THE FRG HAS PARTICIPATED HAVE SHOWN THE SUBJECT AREAS OF INTEREST TO THE VARIOUS REGIONS ARE VERY MUCH ALIKE.

5. EMBASSY WILL REPORT FURTHER FOLLOWING BERLIN MEETING.

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